Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Yes.

198. **Mr. N. Padmanabha Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether Mr. P. A. Anantarama Ayyar was so provided for; if not, why not?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Please see *Appendix "A."*

199. **Mr. N. Padmanabha Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a copy of the petition sent to the Government by Mr. Anantarama Ayyar in this connection and the Diwan's reply thereon?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Please see *Appendices "C" and "G."*

200. **Mr. N. Padmanabha Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the promise held out in that reply by the Diwan was ever fulfilled; if not, why not?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar—Yes. Please see *Appendix "A."*

201. **Mr. N. Padmanabha Menon.**—i. Will the Government be pleased to state the dates on which Messrs. C. S. Vedantachari, M. P. Antony and P. Govinda Menon retired from service;

ii. in filling up the vacancies thus caused, will the Government be pleased to state whether the claims of Mr. Anantarama Ayyar were considered by the Government;

iii. will the Government be pleased to state whether the new incumbents were senior to Mr. Anantarama Ayyar in point of service?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—i. Mr. Vedantachari on 13th Chingam 1099.

Mr. Antony on 6th Kanni 1098.

Mr. Govinda Menon on 6th Medam 1101.

ii. Yes.

iii. Not all of them.

202. **Mr. N. Padmanabha Menon.**—i. Will the Government be pleased to state whether Mr. P. A. Anantarama Ayyar was ordered to retire from the State service in 1097 or 1098;

ii. will the Government be pleased to state whether the order was issued by the Diwan after getting the sanction of His Highness; if not, why not?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—i. Please see *Appendix "A."*

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And (2) also petition dated 20—12—1101 with the Comptroller's endorsement on C. 7848/1101, dated 7th August 1926.

Order Dis. No. 56/D/1102, dated 28th August 1926.

The petitioner's case will be considered when a suitable vacancy arises in respect of which he has preferential claims.

(True extract)

(Sd.)
Secretary to the Diwan.

To

The petitioner (through the Comptroller of Accounts with the service books, vide his C. 6258/1101, dated 3rd June 1926.)

APPENDIX G.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 199.)

Petition dated 11th Vrischigam 1097 from Mr. P. A. Anantarama Ayyar to the Diwan of Cochin through the Diwan Peishkar.

I beg to submit the following few lines for the Diwan's kind consideration and orders.—

In the beginning of the current year there were two permanent vacancies in the Tahsildar's post consequent on the appointment of Messrs. C. S. Gopala Panikkar and B. C. Chakko, who were appointed as the Registrar of Village Panchayats and the Superintendent of Registration, respectively. These vacancies were filled up by confirming Messrs. K. Kochunni Menon and T. P. Damodaran Unni. I beg respectfully to submit that, though I am a rightful claimant to one of these vacancies, my claims were not duly considered then. Mr. Damodaran Unni is junior to me by one year, and his claims for promotion in the Revenue Department are not in any way superior to mine. I entered the Revenue Department first as Revenue Officer of Cranganur in the year 1088, whereas Mr. Damodaran Unni was drafted to the same department as Revenue Officer of Cranganur only in 1091, that is, 3 years subsequent to my entering into that department. In appointing Mr. Damodaran Unni as Revenue Officer of Cranganur from the 21st Vrischigam 1091, it was ordered by the then Diwan Mr. Bhore that in filling up Tahsildar's vacancies, I should be given preferential claims to those of Mr. Damodaran Unni. A perusal of the confidential file containing the first appointment of Mr. Damodaran Unni as Revenue Officer will testify to the truth of the above statement. In filling up the recent vacancies my claims with references to the above file might not have been considered. Thus I lost a good chance owing to my ill-luck.

I beg further to submit that, as per the G. O., dated 9th November 1912, C. No. 263/97, Revenue Department, Land Revenue, my permanent place as Fishery Inspector is to be abolished from the 1st of next month. Though I have completed 22 years' service, of which nearly 3 years' service forms in the Revenue Department, I was not fortunate enough in securing a permanent Tahsildar's post yet. I understand that the Devaswam Superintendent, Mr. Kelar Tirupad, has been allowed to retire shortly. In the light of the circumstances stated above, I request that the Diwan may be pleased to provide me with a permanent place in the Tahsildar's grade in the chain of arrangements caused in filling up the Devaswam Superintendent's place permanently.

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